

## House Resolution 29

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing support for the nation of Israel in its defense against terrorism in the Gaza Strip;  
2 and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, hundreds of innocent Israeli and Palestinian civilians in the Gaza Strip have  
4 been tragically taken due to the recent escalation of violence initiated by Palestinian terrorist  
5 organizations; and

6 WHEREAS, the Hamas terror organization, which calls for the destruction of the State of  
7 Israel, along with Palestinian terrorists of the Islamic Jihad have recently fired upon civilian  
8 targets in Southern Israel, ending a six-month period of cease fire; and

9 WHEREAS, these latest attacks on Israel took place only days after resolution 1850, which  
10 encouraged peace between Israelis and Palestinians, was adopted by the United Nations  
11 Security Council; and

12 WHEREAS, despite these threats to their own existence, the people of Israel continue to  
13 demonstrate their deep respect for human rights and lives and their desire to minimize  
14 needless human suffering with their decision to coordinate efforts with Arab countries to  
15 allow humanitarian support from international aid organizations to enter the Gaza Strip; and

16 WHEREAS, Israel's current military actions are necessary to defend against the  
17 indiscriminate and horrific terrorism which threatens the nation's citizens and sovereignty;  
18 and

19 WHEREAS, the Georgia House of Representatives remains united on its continued support  
20 of the nation of Israel and the defense of its people from terroristic attacks and urges all Arab  
21 states to declare their opposition to terrorism and take steps to pursue peace in the Middle  
22 East.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body do express their complete support for the nation of Israel in its  
25 current battle against terrorism.